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October 17th.

The Virginia Medical and Surgical Journal. Vol. 3, No. 5. From the Editors.
Report of the Special Committee of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution on the Distribution of the Income. From the Institution.

Essai sur les Terrains Superficiels de la Vallée du Po, aux environs de Turin. Par MM. Ch. Martins et B. Gastaldi. From the Authors.

Report of the Superintendent of the Coast Survey, showing its progress during 1852. 4to. From the U. S. Treasury Department, through Prof. A. D. Bache.

Untersuchungen über den Farbenwechsel des Afrikanischen Chamæleons. Von Ernst Brücke. From the Author, through Prof. Dunglison.

Ueber die Farben, welche trübe Medien im auffallenden und durchfallenden Lichte zeigen. Von Prof. Brücke. From the same.

Ueber die Wirkung complementär gefärbter Gläser beim Binoculären sehen. Von Prof. Brücke. From the same.

Die Arbeitsthier. Von Prof. Brücke. From the same.

October 24th.

Memoires de l'Academie Royale des Sciences, &c., de Belgique. Tome 27. 4to. From the Academy.

Memoires Couronnés et Mémoires des Savants Étrangers, publiés par l'Acad. Roy. de Belgique. Tome 25. 4to. From the same.

Memoires Couronnés et Memoires des Savants Étrangers, publiés par l'Acad. Roy. de Belgique. Collection in 8vo, tome 5, 2e partie, tome 6, 1me partie. From the same.

Bulletins de l'Acad. Royale des Sci. de Belgique. Tome 19, 3me partie, tome 20, 1me, 2e, 3me part., tome 21, 1me part., et annexe aux Bulletins 1853, 1854. From the same.

Annuaire de l'Acad. Royale des Sci. de Belgique, 1853, 1854. 12mo. From the same.

Of the Constants of Nature. Class Mammalia. By M. Ch. Babbage. From the same.

Proceedings of the New Orleans Academy of Sciences. Vol. 1, No. 1; also Constitution and By-laws of the same. From the Academy.

A System of Mineralogy, comprising the most recent discoveries. By James D. Dana. 4th edition, 8vo. From the Author.

London Athenæum for September, 1854. From Dr. Wilson.

Journal of the Franklin Institute for Oct., 1854. From the same.

Revue et Magasin de Zoologie, 1854, No. 8. From the same.

Comptes Rendus, Tome 39, Nos. 9, 10, 11, 12. From the same.

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IN NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER, 1854.

November 7th.

Mounted specimens of *Cercopithecus sabæus*, *Cercocebus fuliginosus* and *Ateles melanochir*. Received in exchange.

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November 21st.

Three Tarantulas and three Scorpions, from Antigua; two Reptiles, from

Barbadoes; and a fine specimen of the Jaws of a Shark. Presented by Dr. W. H. Freeman.

Hematite, from Centre Co., Pa. Presented by Col. McCall.

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Skeleton of *Heterodon platyrhynchos*. From Dr. Hallowell.

Fine specimen of Crystalline Slag, from Spring Mill, Pa. From Mr. Theodore H. Rand.

Twenty-four specimens of Mammals, from the Bonaparte Collection. Presented by Dr. Wilson.

December 12th.

Specimen of *Belone truncata*, from Chesapeake Bay. From Mr. Chas. S. Smith.

The following were presented by the Smithsonian Institution:

Skins of *Cervus tarandus*, L. ♂ and ♀ in winter coat, and same, ♂ in summer coat, from Lapland; of *Ursus arctos* ♂ (biennis) (and neogenus,) from Sweden; of *Phoca annulata*, and *Phoca vitulina*, from the Baltic; and of *Canis lupus* ♂, from Sweden.

And the following were deposited by the same:

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December 19th.

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A collection of Birds from Western Africa. Presented by Dr. J. K. Mitchell. Sulphate of Barytes, from Connecticut, and Celestine, from the same. Presented by W. S. Vaux, Esq.

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November 7th.

Essay on a new method of treating Serpent bites, and other poisoned wounds. By D. Brainard, M.D. From the Author.

American Journal of Science and Arts, Nov., 1854. From the Editors.

Malakozoologische Blätter. Von Menke und Pfeiffer. Aug., 1854. From Dr. Wilson.

Annales des Sciences Naturelles. 4me. serie, tome 1, Nos. 4, 5, 6. From the same.

Comptes Rendus, tome 39, Nos. 13, 14. From the same.

A History of the Fishes of Massachusetts. By D. Humphreys Storer, M.D., pp. 91—130 inclusive. 4to. From the Author.

Report of the Commissioner of Patents for 1853. Part 2. 8vo. From the Franklin Institute.